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SUBJECT: GATT AND THE ROMANIAN TARIFF

REF: A. GENEVA 1424

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C. GENEVA 1342

IN LIGHT OF REFTTEL A, WISH TO REPEAT AGAIN OUR REQUEST
(REFTTEL C) FOR ENLIGHTENMENT ON THE HUNGARIAN GATT CASE AND
THE STANDARDS APPLIED TO NON-SOCIALIST DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.
A REVIEW OF THESE POINTS WILL CERTAINLY CLARIFY OUR OWN
THINKING AND MIGHT EVEN BE HELPFUL IN GENEVA. IF OUR PROBLEMS
ARE INDEED SUBSTANTIVE AND NOT TACTICAL ONES OF NOT WANTING
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TO APPEAR TO BE TOO FAR FROM THE EC, THEN WE SEE EVERY

ADVANTAGE TO CONTINUING TO KEEP DISCUSSION ON SUBSTANTIVE
LEVEL. SO FAR AS VISIT TO ROMANIA IS CONCERNED, IF A
TRIP HERE APPEARS TO MAKE SENSE WE WOULD BE GLAD TO JOIN
WITH ANY GEVENA/WASHINGTON EXPERTS WHO ARE PREPARED TO RUN
THE RISKS OF ROMANIAN HOSPITALITY. IN SHORT, IT SEEMS TO
US OUR POSITION NEEDS TO REMAIN THAT OF SYMPATHETIC IF STILL
SKEPTICAL FELLOW GATT MEMBERS, AND AS REFTTEL C POINTED OUT,
NOT ONE WHICH LUMPS US SO CLOSELY WITH THE EC THAT WE TAKE
ON THEIR QR COLORATION.
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